



The Open Units' Smallbore Rifle Competition 2025-26



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1. The Open Units' Smallbore Rifle Postal Competition for 2025-26 is organised by CCRS and the NSRA for open units of the UK Cadet Forces in two classes:

- a. Class A – L144A1 Cadet Smallbore Target Rifle, as issued.
- b. Class B – Any .22 bolt action Target Rifle including L144A1

2. **Prizes.** The following prizes are associated with this competition:

a. **Class A**

(1) **The Sea Cadet Corps**

1st A Challenge Cup and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

(2) **The Army Cadet Force**

1st The Walter Kirke Trophy and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

(3) **The RAF Air Cadets**

1st A Challenge Cup and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

b. **Class B**

(1) **The Sea Cadet Corps.**

1st The National Trophy and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

2nd 4 NSRA Silver Plaquettes.

(2) **The Army Cadet Force.**

1st The News of the World Challenge Cup and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

2nd 4 NSRA Silver Plaquettes.

(3) **The RAF Air Cadets.**

1st The Battle of Britain Challenge Cup and 4 NSRA Gold Plaquettes.

2nd 4 NSRA Silver Plaquettes.

Class A and B Two cards per firer	Teams to shoot cards NLT 31 Mar 26. Cards to be at the NSRA appointed scorer by last post on 07 Apr 26.
Inter Service Final Class B	This shoulder-to-shoulder (Class B only) competition will now be shot separately as part of the National Cadet Smallbore Rifle Meeting (NSBRM) during July 2026.

3. **Timings.** Upon receipt of your entry form, the CCRS will distribute the relevant paperwork and stickers along with further instructions for the competition. Teams will compete within the above timescales. Any team unable to meet the requirements for reasons they consider out of their control must immediately inform CCRS who will decide.

4. **Teams.** Firing teams are to consist of four firing cadets from the same SCC Area, ACF County, or ATC Wing, with at least three in the firing team from the same SCC District, ACF Company or equivalent, or ATC Sector. Units may enter more than one team. A cadet may only be in one team, but, if transferred to another unit, may continue to shoot for the team. All firers must be under 18 on 31 Mar 26.

5. **Targets.** Only the following NSRA cards may be used. Photocopies are not acceptable.

Range:	25m	25 yard	20 yard	15 yard
Target:	25M10BM/89-18	2510BM/89-18	2010BM/89-18	1510BM/89 with or without a -18 suffix

Each firer completes one card. Shots must not be gauged, or targets otherwise interfered with by units.

6. **Rifles and Equipment.** For Class A and B, slings are permitted. The rifle must not be fired off a rest. Shooting mats are allowed.

a. **Class A.** The L144A1 as issued.

b. **Class B.** Any .22 bolt action single shot target rifle. Telescopic sights are not permitted.

7. **Dress.** Shooting jackets, elbow pads (with or without straps) and gloves are allowed. MTP or CS95 must be worn under the shooting jacket; if not available then the following dress applies:

SCC	ACF	RAF AC
No 4 Dress with jersey	Military approved dress	Approved dress (jersey order)

8. **Coaching.** Spotting and coaching is allowed by any person, who is also permitted to adjust the sights but may not load for the firer.

9. **Entry.** The entry fee is £10 per team. Entries close 1700hrs Fri 27 Feb 26 and should be made via the online entry form found here: <https://forms.office.com/e/xxyZZxj6Vn>

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